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obstructions may at any time be placed in the area described in paragraph (a)(2) of this section. Upon official notification, any vessel anchored in the area and any person in the area will be required to vacate the area during the actual mine-laying operation. Persons and vessels entering the area during mine-laying operations by aircraft must proceed directly through the area without delay, except in case of emergency. Naval authorities are required to publish advance notice of mine-laying and/or retrieving operations scheduled to be carried on in the area, and during such published periods of operation, fishing or other aquatic activities are forbidden in the area. No vessel will be denied passage through the area at any time during either mine-laying or retrieving operations.

(3) The Explosives-Handling Berth (Naval) described in paragraph (a)(3) of this section is reserved for the exclusive use of naval vessels and except in cases of emergency no other vessel shall anchor therein without the permission of local naval authorities, obtained through the Captain of the Port, U.S. Coast Guard, Norfolk, Va. There shall be no restriction on the movement of vessels through the Explosive-Handling Berth.

(4) Vessels shall not be anchored, nor shall persons in the water approach within 300 yards of the perimeter of the Explosives-Handling Berth when that berth is occupied by a vessel handling explosives.

(5) The regulations of this section shall be enforced by the Commander, Naval Base, Norfolk, Virginia, and such agencies as he may designate.

(Secs. 1-4, 40 Stat. 892, sec. 1, 38 Stat. 800; 33 U.S.C. 3, 471)

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### § 334.270 York River adjacent to Cheatham Annex Depot, Naval Supply Center, Williamsburg, Va.; restricted area.

(a) *The area.* The waters of York River bounded as follows: Beginning at a point on shore at Cheatham Annex Depot at latitude 37°17'14" N., longitude

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76°35'38" W.; thence to a point offshore at latitude 37°17'52" N., longitude 76°35'20" W.; thence approximately parallel to the shore to a point at latitude 37°17'23" N., longitude 76°34'39" W.; thence to the shore at latitude 37°16'58" N., longitude 76°35'03" W.; and thence along the shore at Cheatham Annex Depot to the point of beginning.

(b) *The regulations.* (1) No loitering will be permitted within the area. Oystermen may work their own leaseholds or public bottom within the area, provided they obtain special permission from the Officer in Charge, Cheatham Annex Depot, Naval Supply Center, Williamsburg, Virginia.

(2) The regulations in this section shall be enforced by the Officer in Charge, Cheatham Annex Depot, U.S. Naval Supply Center, Williamsburg, Virginia.

[22 FR 4814, July 9, 1957. Redesignated at 50 FR 42696, Oct. 22, 1985]

### § 334.275 North and Southwest Branch, Back River, Hampton, U.S. Air Force Base, Langley, Va.; restricted area.

(a) *The area.* Beginning at a point on the island at the entrance to Tide Mills Creek in the Southwest Branch of the Back River at latitude 37°03'50" N, longitude 076°22'00" W, thence along the shore of Langley Air Force Base, 35 yards off the ordinary mean high water (MHW) mark, to a point in the Northwest Branch of the Back River at latitude 37°06'40" N, longitude 076°22'55" W.

(b) *The regulations.* (1) No persons or vessels, recreational or commercial, may enter this restricted area without the permission of the Commanding Officer, Langley Air Force Base.

(2) The Commanding Officer shall not prevent persons from fulfilling their legal obligation to the Commonwealth of Virginia with regard to oyster planting ground leases that lie within the restricted area. The Commanding Officer may, at his/her discretion, require those persons and vessels working those leases to register with the Langley Air Force Base Security Officer on an annual basis. Failure to comply with this request may result in denial to access the oyster grounds until such time as the request has been complied with.

(3) Persons or vessels contracted with or utilized by the Commonwealth of Virginia to work the oyster grounds shall give verbal notification to the base Security Office prior to entering the restricted area.

(4) City, State and Federal law enforcement vessels may enter the restricted area at any time they deem necessary for the enforcement of their respective laws.

(c) *Enforcement.* The regulations in this section shall be enforced by the Commanding Officer of the Langley Air Force Base and such agencies as he/she may designate.

[58 FR 47788, Sept. 10, 1993]

**§ 334.280 James River between the entrance to Skiffes Creek and Mulberry Point, Va.; army training and small craft testing area.**

(a) *The restricted area.* Beginning on the shore at latitude 37°09'54" N., longitude 76°36'25" W.; thence westerly to latitude 37°09'50" N., longitude 76°37'45.5" W.; thence southerly to latitude 37°09'00" N., longitude 76°38'05" W.; thence southerly to latitude 37°08'22" N., longitude 76°37'55" W.; thence due east to the shore at latitude 37°08'22" N., longitude 76°37'22" W.; thence northerly along the shore to the point of beginning.

(b) *The regulations.* (1) No vessels other than Department of the Army vessels, and no persons other than persons embarked in such vessels shall remain in or enter the restricted area except as provided in paragraph (b)(2) of this section.

(2) Nothing in the regulations of this section shall prevent the harvesting and cultivation of oyster beds or the setting of fish traps within the restricted area under regulations of the Department of the Army, nor will the passage of fishing vessels to or from authorized traps be unreasonably interfered with or restricted.

(3) Vessels anchored in the area shall be so anchored as not to obstruct the arc of visibility of Deepwater Shoals Light.

(4) The Commanding General, Fort Eustis, Va., will, to the extent possible give public notice from time to time through local news media and the Coast Guard's Local Notice to Mariners

of the schedule of intended Army use of the restricted area.

(5) The continuation of the restricted area for more than 3 years after the date of its establishment shall be dependent upon the outcome of the consideration of a request for its continuance submitted to the District Engineer, U.S. Army Engineer District, Norfolk, Virginia, by the using agency at least 3 months prior to the expiration of the 3 years.

(6) The regulations in this section shall be enforced by the Commanding General, Fort Eustis, Va., and such agencies as he may designate.

[37 FR 4337, Mar. 2, 1972. Redesignated at 50 FR 42696, Oct. 22, 1985]

**§ 334.290 Elizabeth River, Southern Branch, Va., naval restricted areas.**

(a) *The areas—*(1) *St. Helena Annex Area.* Beginning at a point at St. Helena Annex of the Norfolk Naval Shipyard, on the eastern shore of Southern Branch of Elizabeth River, at latitude 36°49'43", longitude 76°17'26.5"; thence in a southwesterly direction to a point on the eastern boundary of Norfolk Harbor 40-foot channel at latitude 36°49'42", longitude 76°17'33"; thence in a southerly direction along the eastern boundary of Norfolk Harbor 40-foot channel to latitude 36°49'28", longitude 76°17'27"; thence easterly to the shore at latitude 36°49'28", longitude 76°17'22"; and thence, northerly along the shore to the point of beginning.

(2) *Norfolk Naval Shipyard Area.* Beginning at a point on the shore at the northeast corner of the Norfolk Naval Shipyard, at latitude 36°49'43.5", longitude 76°17'41.5"; thence due east approximately 100 feet to the western boundary of Elizabeth River channel; thence in a southerly direction along the western boundary of the channel to the point where it passes through the draw of the Norfolk and Portsmouth Belt Line Railroad Bridge, thence in a southwesterly direction along the northerly side of the bridge to the western shore of Southern Branch of Elizabeth River; and thence along the shore in a northerly direction to the point of beginning.

(3) *Southgate Terminal Area.* Beginning at a point at the northeast corner